

SENATE RECORD VOTE ANALYSIS

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WELFARE REFORM BILL/Administrative Costs Cap

SUBJECT: Family Self-Sufficiency Act of 1995 . . . H.R. 4. Brown amendment No. 2508 to the Dole modified perfecting amendment No. 2280 to the committee substitute amendment.

ACTION: AMENDMENT AGREED TO, 87-5

SYNOPSIS: As reported with a committee substitute amendment, H.R. 4, the Family Self-Sufficiency Act, will overhaul 6 of the Nation's 10 largest welfare programs.

The Dole modified perfecting amendment would strike the provisions of the committee substitute amendment and insert in lieu thereof substitute provisions, entitled "The Work Opportunity Act of 1995."

The Brown amendment would provide that no more than 15 percent of the funds that a State received by a State from the Federal Government for the temporary assistance block grant program could be used to pay administrative costs of the program.

Those favoring the amendment contended:

A major purpose of this bill is to improve the administration of welfare programs by removing the monolithic, insanely complex Federal bureaucratic maze. It would be tragic if the States responded to their new authority by building smaller versions of this Federal monster. Accordingly, the Brown amendment would propose a 15-percent cap on administrative costs for the temporary assistance block grant program. The Dole amendment would cap other of its proposed programs, but it neglected to enact a cap for this particular program. This mandate would not burden States--it would help them by ensuring that their programs do not become overly bureaucratized. The Brown amendment is a simple, commonsense proposal to keep government small, efficient, and effective. It merits our strong support.

No arguments were expressed in opposition to the amendment.

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YEAS (87)				NAYS (5)		NOT VOTING (8)	
Republican (42 or 89%)		Democrats (45 or 100%)		Republicans (5 or 11%)	Democrats (0 or 0%)	Republicans (7)	Democrats (1)
Abraham	Hutchison	Akaka	Hollings	Ashcroft		Campbell ⁻²	Pryor ⁻²
Bennett	Inhofe	Baucus	Inouye	Bond		Cochran ⁻²	
Brown	Jeffords	Biden	Johnston	Gorton		Mack ⁻²	
Burns	Kassebaum	Bingaman	Kennedy	Hatch		McCain ⁻²	
Chafee	Kempthorne	Boxer	Kerrey	Lugar		Murkowski ⁻²	
Coats	Kyl	Bradley	Kerry			Shelby ⁻²	
Cohen	Lott	Breaux	Kohl			Thompson ⁻³	
Coverdell	McConnell	Bryan	Lautenberg				
Craig	Nickles	Bumpers	Leahy				
D'Amato	Packwood	Byrd	Levin				
DeWine	Pressler	Conrad	Lieberman				
Dole	Roth	Daschle	Mikulski				
Domenici	Santorum	Dodd	Moseley-Braun				
Faircloth	Simpson	Dorgan	Moynihan				
Frist	Smith	Exon	Murray				
Gramm	Snowe	Feingold	Nunn				
Grams	Specter	Feinstein	Pell				
Grassley	Stevens	Ford	Reid				
Gregg	Thomas	Glenn	Robb				
Hatfield	Thurmond	Graham	Rockefeller				
Helms	Warner	Harkin	Sarbanes				
		Heflin	Simon				
			Wellstone				

EXPLANATION OF ABSENCE:

1—Official Business
2—Necessarily Absent
3—Illness
4—Other

SYMBOLS:

AY—Announced Yea
AN—Announced Nay
PY—Paired Yea
PN—Paired Nay